Physical Development/ Health and Safety	Infants	Toddlers	Twos	Preschool	Pre-K Exit Expectations	K Exit Expectations
STANDARDS	Indicators	Indicators	Indicators	Indicators	Indicators	Common Core State Standards
32. Demonstrates strength and coordination of large muscles	32a. Uses arms, legs, and whole body to move Example: Rolls, sits, crawls, cruises, and then takes steps Supportive Practice: Give infants time to explore a safe environment in which they can roll, pull up, and learn to walk.	32a. Moves in a variety of ways and directions Example: Toddles without support; attempts to jump; carries a large ball while walking Supportive Practice: Play music that encourages toddlers to move their bodies in a variety of ways.	32a. Attempts new large- muscle activities that require coordination and balance Example: Runs, marches, throws, catches, and kicks balls with little control of the direction or speed of the balls Supportive Practice: Take children outside or to a large indoor space that encourages safe, active play.	32a. Engages in complex large- muscle activities that involve flexibility, control, and a full range of motion. Example: Rides a tricycle; attempts to gallop; walks up and down steps with alternating feet; kicks and throws ball toward a person or place Supportive Practice: Use a variety of equipment that promotes children's coordination of upper and lower body movements.	Large-Muscle Strength and Coordination 32a. Demonstrates locomotor skills by running smoothly Example: Races back and forth between two playground cones. 32b. Demonstrates balancing skills by hopping and jumping in place Example: Jumps up and down in place when the teacher asks, "Who would like to set the table?" 32c. Demonstrates ball-handling skills, using a full range of motion Example: Tosses balls into a large storage tub, using both over- and underhand movements. Supportive Practices: Play games that involve running, e.g., "Duck, Duck, Goose." Ask children to think of ways to move from one place to another, e.g., hopping like a bunny or lumbering like an elephant. Offer children a range of opportunities to practice throwing, for example, as a part of a beanbag game in the classroom and a ball game outside.	e ent
33. Demonstrates strength and coordination of small muscles	33a. Uses whole hand and fingers (all together, raking, and then using thumb and index finger) to touch, hold, and pick up objects Example: Holds a bottle with two hands; picks up cereal; empties objects from a container. Supportive Practice: Put safe objects within infants' reach and encourage them to grasp them.	33a. Attempts activities that require two hands; uses fingers and whole-arm movements to place and release objects Example: Scribbles with large crayons; turns pages of book (often more than one at a time); begins to use a spoon and fork Supportive Practice: Encourage children to pick up objects, such as differently sized balls, and put them into a basket.	33a. Engages in activities that require eye—hand coordination; uses wrist and finger movements to manipulate objects Example: Pours liquids from pitcher to cup; works simple puzzles; strings large beads Supportive Practice: Provide materials to stack, e.g., blocks of different sizes and shapes.	33a. Uses finger and hand movements to work with small objects and accomplish tasks Example: Copies shapes; cuts with scissors; fastens large buttons; writes some letter- or numeral-like forms; uses a stapler and tape Supportive Practice: Offer a range of art materials that promote precise movements, such as thin markers with narrow tops.	 Small-Muscle Strength and Coordination 33a. Uses precise hand, finger, and wrist movements to grasp, release, and manipulate small objects Example: Plays with dramatic play furniture and props, using a range of fine-motor movements to open the latch on a cabinet, button a doll's shirt, and place small dishes on a table. 33b. Uses writing and drawing tools to perform particular tasks Example: Uses a variety of materials, such as colored pencils, pens, and thin markers, to make a thank-you card. Supportive Practices: Encourage children to use cooking tools, serving utensils, and personal utensils during cooking activities, snacks, and meals. Place writing materials in all interest areas and encourage children to use them throughout the day. 	
34. Demonstrates behaviors that promote health and safety	34a. Emerging	34a. Emerging	34a. Emerging	34a. Follows familiar health and safety rules with occasional reminders <i>Example:</i> Sneezes into elbow after seeing the teacher do so.	Health and Safety 34a. Describes basic health and safety rules and follows them Example: Explains that you have to go one way when you ride the trike so you don't bump into other children.	
	34b. Begins to participate in meeting own needs <i>Example:</i> Opens mouth when food is offered.	34b. Attempts basic feeding, dressing, and hygiene tasks <i>Example:</i> Picks up cereal to feed self; pulls off socks.	34b. Performs some simple feeding, dressing, and hygiene tasks <i>Example</i> : Puts hands under running water for washing.	34b. Performs basic self- help tasks with assistance <i>Example</i> : Pulls pants up and down for toileting; may need help with fasteners.	34b. Performs self-help tasks with minimal assistance <i>Example:</i> Flushes toilet and washes hands after toileting.	
	34c. Emerging Supportive Practice: Talk about what you are doing as you provide consistent routines.	34c. Emerging Supportive Practice: Talk about what you see children doing to feed and dress themselves.	34c. Emerging Supportive Practice: Acknowledge when children try to do things for themselves and provide helpful suggestions.	Supportive Practices: • Model healthy practices, such as using a tissue to blow nose. • Teach techniques to make dressing easier, e.g., the upside down and over-thehead method of putting on jackets.	 34c. Begins to understand that foods have different nutritional values Example: Says, "Fruit is good for you. It makes you strong. It gives you energy." Supportive Practices: Involve children in discussions about the reasons for health and safety rules. Make picture and word charts that show sequence of handwashing steps. Talk about different kinds of foods and why they are nutritious. 	

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